powers to Dr. Sun, and at the instigation of the militarists Parliament, early in May, adopted a resolution for the reorganization of the Government, and the abolition of the office of Generalissimo, Dr, Sun, who could not tolerate this affront, resigned on May 4, packed up his things, and left for Shanghai, via Formosa, arriving there on June 26. It was destined that two years would elapse before he would see Canton again*

A vivid picture of conditions in Kwangtung on the eve of his departure appeared in a letter from a Kwangtung correspondent to the *North China Daily News* in April:—

> "It is well known that Dr. Sun not only sought to raise the brigands in the North, but that the recent successes of the South in Kwangtung Province were largely won with the aid of local bands, some of whose members acted as will o' the wisp guides to the Northern troops, while others undertook to carry their baggage, and did carry it—away. . . Again, so far as I can see, there is no vestige of Constitutional government here. The country is under the control of the military, whose leaders are bleeding it systematically, but with no show of justice, to find pay for their troops. Still worse, however, the sinews of war are largely raised by the legalization of gambling. The old idealism of 1911—12 has been cynically abandoned. The grant of the gambling monopoly to the military was put through the Provincial Assembly by wholesale bribery a year or two ago, on the score of which the Speaker of the Assembly, a Christian, resigned his office. The monopoly brought in large sums, but at first was confined to a lottery drawn every ten days. The expulsion of the Northern troops, however, was signalized by a great extension of the different forms of pubHc gambling, and all along the main thoroughfares one sees again the

red-bordered blue cloth signs, with their specious designs, and the gaudily painted exteriors of the innumerable saloons. The appearance of lie Military Government and the Rump Parliament in Canton has made no difference to this state of things. The movement for constitutional ends and the salvation of the people is being supported by a system that at once debauches and oppresses the people.''